

Senate Resolution 70

By: Senator Tippins of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Utility Contractors Association and recognizing February 5, 2019,
2 as Georgia Utility Contractors Association Legislative Awareness Day at the state capitol;
3 and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association is a 47 year old nonprofit trade
5 association representing the underground utility construction industry with the mission of
6 promoting safe and responsible installation of new and rehabilitation of existing
7 underground utility infrastructure which consists of water, sewer, gas, electrical,
8 telecommunications, water, and waste-water treatment plants, dams, and landfills; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association brings the underground utility
10 construction industry, policymakers, and stakeholders together as they focus on long-range
11 underground utility infrastructure development, encouraging adequate government services,
12 catalyzing consensus on damage prevention issues, and convening discussion on responsible
13 and safe installation; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association is composed of a diverse
15 membership of licensed utility contractors, site developers, engineers, heavy equipment
16 dealers, equipment suppliers, law firms, insurance bonding agents, and anyone with an
17 interest in underground utility contracting in Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association delivers its mission through the
19 platforms of advocacy, education, and information by working with thousands of
20 stakeholders and elected officials, administrators, and professional staff of all local
21 governments, along with state agencies and legislative and executive leadership; and

22 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association is committed to the mission of
23 promoting safe and responsible installation and is proactively involved in the formulation of

24 policy and legislation crucial to the utility construction industry by addressing safety issues,
25 regulatory compliance, and underground utility infrastructure needs within this state; and

26 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association continues to increase its influence
27 among stakeholders, policymakers, and elected officials state wide; and

28 WHEREAS, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association will host its annual Georgia Utility
29 Contractors Association Legislative Awareness Day on February 5, 2019, in order to bring
30 awareness of the need for safety in the industry, to resonate that message to members of the
31 Georgia General Assembly, and to allow interaction with policymakers at the state level.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 commend the Georgia Utility Contractors Association for its efforts in promoting safe and
34 responsible installation of underground utilities in the State of Georgia and recognize
35 February 5, 2019, as Georgia Utility Contractors Association Legislative Awareness Day at
36 the state capitol.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia Utility
39 Contractors Association.